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REPLY TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION

In reply to the final Office Action that was mailed in connection with the above-captioned case on September 20, 2001, applicants submit the following Remarks.

REMARKS

Further examination of claims 65-78 is reported in the present Office Action. Claims 65-78 were rejected under the judicially-created Doctrine of Obviousness-Type Double Patenting, claims 65-72, 74, 77, and 78 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e), and claims 65, 72, and 73 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a). Each of the rejections is addressed as follows.